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FROM: 
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Ballot Pamphlet & Initiatives

SUBJECT: FEBRUARY 5, 2008, PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION
BALLOT LABELS AND TITLES AND SUMMARIES

SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Enclosed are the English ballot labels and titles and summaries for Propositions 91 through 93.

These ballot labels and titles and summaries are currently on public display and are **subject to court-ordered changes up until November 13, 2007**. We will advise you of any court-ordered changes by November 13, 2007. The translations for the ballot labels and titles and summaries will be forwarded separately.

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Encl.

PROPOSITION 91
Transportation Funds.
Initiative Constitutional Amendment.
Proponent: James Earp

Date: October 5, 2007

BALLOT LABEL

**TRANSPORTATION FUNDS.
INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.**

Prohibits certain motor vehicle fuel taxes from being retained in General Fund and delays repayment of such taxes previously retained. Changes how and when General Fund borrowing of certain transportation funds is allowed. Fiscal Impact: Increases stability of state funding for highways, streets, and roads and may decrease stability of state funding for public transit. May reduce stability of certain local funds for public transit.

PROPOSITION 92

Date:

October 5, 2007

Community Colleges. Funding.

Governance. Fees. Initiative

Constitutional Amendment and Statute.

Proponents: Dennis Smith and Scott Lay

BALLOT LABEL

**COMMUNITY COLLEGES. FUNDING. GOVERNANCE. FEES.
INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND STATUTE.**

Establishes independent community college districts and Board of Governors. Requires minimum funding for schools and community colleges to be calculated separately. Sets fees at \$15/unit and limits future increases. Fiscal Impact: Increased state spending on K-14 education from 2007-08 through 2009-10 averaging about \$300 million annually, with unknown impacts annually thereafter. Potential loss in community college student fee revenues of about \$70 million annually.

PROPOSITION 93

Date: October 5, 2007

Limits on Legislators' Terms in Office.

Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Proponents: Roberta B. Johansen and Kari Krogseng

BALLOT LABEL

**LIMITS ON LEGISLATORS' TERMS IN OFFICE.
INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.**

Reduces permissible state legislative service to 12 years. Allows 12 years' service in one house. Current legislators can serve 12 years in current house, regardless of prior legislative service. Fiscal Impact: No direct fiscal effect on state or local governments.

PROPOSITION 91
Transportation Funds.
Initiative Constitutional Amendment.
Proponent: James Earp

Date: October 5, 2007

BALLOT TITLE AND SUMMARY

TRANSPORTATION FUNDS. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

- Prohibits certain motor vehicle fuel sales and use taxes, that are earmarked for the Transportation Investment Fund, from being retained in the General Fund. Currently such taxes may be retained if Governor issues a proclamation, a special statute is enacted by a 2/3 vote of the Legislature, repayment occurs within three years, and certain other conditions are met.
- Requires repayment by 6/30/17 of such vehicle fuel taxes retained in General Fund from 7/1/03 to 6/30/08. Currently repayment is generally required by 6/30/16.
- Changes how and when General Fund borrowing of certain transportation funds is allowed.

Summary of Legislative Analyst's Estimate of Net State and Local Government Fiscal Impact:

- Increases stability of state funding for highways, streets, and roads and may decrease stability of state funding for public transit. May reduce stability of certain local funds for public transit.

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BALLOT TITLE AND SUMMARY

**COMMUNITY COLLEGES. FUNDING. GOVERNANCE. FEES.
INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND STATUTE.**

- Establishes in state constitution a system of independent public community college districts and Board of Governors.
- Generally, requires minimum levels of state funding for school districts and community college districts to be calculated separately, using different criteria and separately appropriated.
- Allocates 10.46 percent of current Proposition 98 school funding maintenance factor to community colleges.
- Sets community college fees at \$15/unit per semester; limits future fee increases.
- Provides formula for allocation by Legislature to community college districts that would not otherwise receive general fund revenues through community college apportionment.

**Summary of Legislative Analyst's
Estimate of Net State and Local Government Fiscal Impact:**

- Increase in state spending on K-14 education from 2007-08 through 2009-10 – averaging about \$300 million per year, with unknown impacts annually thereafter.
- Loss of student fee revenues to community colleges – potentially about \$70 million annually.

PROPOSITION 93

Date: October 5, 2007

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Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Proponents: Roberta B. Johansen and Kari Krogseng

BALLOT TITLE AND SUMMARY

**LIMITS ON LEGISLATORS' TERMS IN OFFICE.
INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.**

- Reduces the total amount of time a person may serve in the state legislature from 14 years to 12 years.
- Allows a person to serve a total of 12 years either in the Assembly, the Senate, or a combination of both.
- Provides a transition period to allow current members to serve a total of 12 consecutive years in the house in which they are currently serving, regardless of any prior service in another house.

**Summary of Legislative Analyst's
Estimate of Net State and Local Government Fiscal Impact:**

- This measure would have no direct fiscal effect on state or local governments.